

ELECT DELEGATES TO STATE MEETING

Petersburg Elks Choose Lodge Representatives for Annual Convention.

FIRE DAMAGES WAREHOUSE

Real Estate Assessors Will Soon Complete Their Duties.

Times-Dispatch Bureau, 105 North Sycamore Street, Petersburg, Va., August 18.—At the regular meeting of Petersburg Lodge of Elks last night delegates to the State annual convention of the order were elected as follows: W. W. Prosser, George Watson, W. T. Baugh, H. V. Parham, Owen Gilmore, Chas. E. Bowie, J. B. Harrison, Myer Sael, W. Lee Rahilly and J. B. Roberts. Degrees were conferred, and after business an enjoyable social was held and refreshments served.

Fire Damages Warehouse.—Fire this evening damaged the warehouse of the Grossman Seed and Supply Company to a considerable extent. The warehouse is situated on the wharf and is owned by the Atlantic Coast Line. The Grossman Company had stored in the warehouse a large quantity of seeds, farming implements and wire fencing, all of which was damaged more or less and water from fire. The loss is estimated at \$1,000, which is fully covered by insurance.

Death Reported.—William N. Friend died at the residence of his mother, Mrs. Alfred Friend, on Franklin Street, this evening. He had been in feeble health for several months, and had retired from active business several years ago.

The Mayorality.—The official call for a joint meeting of the Councils for next Tuesday night to elect a Mayor has not been promulgated, though a properly signed request for a call for the meeting has been placed in the hands of the president of the Board of Aldermen. The call, however, will be issued in due time. Meanwhile, only three candidates are in the field, and these are looking after their interests. No one of the three aspirants for the honor, it is said, has personally sought the vote of any member of either body.

Cases Continued.—In the Police Court this morning the case of the Commonwealth against Timothy Harnett, the young man who some days ago assaulted and beat his mother, was continued for ten days. Mrs. Harnett was severely injured. The case of William Robinson, colored, charged with the felonious shooting and wounding of Wade Prince, colored, was continued for five days, the latter being as yet unable to appear in court. Robinson claims self-defense, having shot Prince after bricks had been hurled at him. The whole lot of bird shot lodged in Prince's face.

Dinwiddie Couple Married.—Miss Clyde Virginia Ezell, daughter of E. D. Ezell, of Dinwiddie county, and R. F. Syker, of the same county, were quietly married yesterday at the parsonage of the West Street Methodist Episcopal Church by the Rev. Lloyd C. Moore. The bridegroom is an employee of the Seaboard Air Line Railway Company.

Finishing Up Their Work.—P. H. Wells and H. V. Parkman, the assessors of real estate in this city, have nearly completed their work, on which they have been engaged for several months. They expect to have their land books ready for delivery by the middle of September. While the assessors have nothing to say as to their work, yet judging alone by the



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high prices at which real estate in Petersburg has recently been sold, and at which it is now being held, and by the fact that there have been great building improvements during the last several years, it is expected that the new assessment will show a large increase in values.

Personal Notes.—A telegram received by friends here announces the death in Kansas City, Mo., of E. K. Richardson, well known in Petersburg. Mr. Richardson superintended the recent work of enlarging and improving the Federal building in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Rucker and their niece, Miss Celeste Rucker, left to-day for New York and other points North. The Rev. J. S. Foster, D. D., of Birmingham, Ala., and Mrs. Foster are visiting Petersburg as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Camp, in South Sycamore Street. Dr. Foster was formerly pastor of Tabb Street Presbyterian Church, resigning in January last.

It is expected that the bids for dredging the channel of the Appomattox from a point below the harbor to deep water at Broadway will be opened at the United States engineer's office in Norfolk on August 25. Congress appropriated \$35,000 for this work.

General News.—Certificates of the charter of the Petersburg Hotel Corporation, a company that is to conduct the Stratford Hotel in this city, has been recorded here. The list of officers has been published in The Times-Dispatch.

Mrs. Robert Gilliam and the Misses Gilliam are guests of Mrs. Catherine Cobb at Howardsville for the month of August. The Rev. Francis Ford, of Hagerstown, Md., will occupy the pulpit at the Washington Street Christian Church next Sunday, morning and evening.

Albert Walker (negro), convicted of highway assault and robbery, was taken to the penitentiary yesterday to serve a term of sixteen years.

GIVES DECISION AGAINST ROADS

Commission Orders Change in Methods of Distributing Cars.

Washington, August 18.—Distribution of coal cars by railroads among the mines along their lines must be made, according to an opinion handed down to-day by the Interstate Commerce Commission, in accordance with an "equitable and justifiable use of the facilities of an interstate carrier," and with "assurance also that no other shipper shall fare substantially better at the hands of the carrier." The opinion was rendered in the case of the Hillside Coal and Coke Company against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. The question at issue has been for several years under consideration by the commission and by the United States courts, a difference of opinion having existed between the railroads and large shippers of coal as to the proper distribution of cars among mines. In effect, the decision of the commission is against the railroad company. It is held that the defendant rule, "providing that the capacity of the cars is deducted from the rated capacity of the mines in the distribution of all 'unassigned' cars is unlawful and discriminatory, therefore, that the rule unduly discriminates against the complainant and other coal operators similarly situated and is in violation of law."

ASKS PARTIAL DIVORCE FROM HER AGED HUSBAND

Young Woman, Alleging Cruelty, Brings Action in Court—Amount of Alimony Not Stated.
(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Roanoke, Va., August 18.—After being tied down by the bonds of matrimony eighteen months, during which time the sunshine of happiness has frequently been eclipsed by clouds of turmoil, and fits of anger and brainstorms, Mrs. Ellen Moffitt Dixon, a former pretty school teacher of Marion, N. C., to-day filed suit here for partial divorce and alimony from her aged and wealthy husband, J. R. Dixon.

While Miss Ellen Moffitt was drumming book sense into the heads of the mountain boys and girls of the Tarheel State, she grew weary of the calling of a pedagogue, and averred that her husband had been using her only for money. Her case was heard in marriage. Several months ago Dixon was tried in the Police Court on a charge of assaulting his wife with intent to kill. He was acquitted, and the divorce proceedings the wife alleges cruelty.

The husband claims his wife is not satisfied because he would not deed her half of his estate. Mr. Dixon is now living at Lynchburg.

FRANCE RECEIVES VIRGINIA'S GIFT

Copy of Houdon's Celebrated Statue of Washington Is Presented.

JUSSERAND ACCEPTS IT

Presentation Address Made by James Mann, Who Lauds Revolutionary Heroes.

Versailles, August 18.—In the Napoleon Hall of the Chateau de Versailles, in the presence of the French Minister of War, Gen. Brun, the French ambassador to the United States, M. Jusserand, and his wife, and the American ambassador, Robert Bacon, and Mrs. Bacon, the bronze copy of Houdon's celebrated statue of Washington in the State House at Richmond, presented by the State of Virginia to the French Republic, was today dedicated with appropriate ceremonies.

Distinguished Party Present.—Among those present were the Marquis de Lafayette, the members of the French commission which presented to America the statue of Rochambeau, now at Washington, and United States Senator Nathan B. Scott, of West Virginia.

Gen. Brun, who presided, spoke of the statue as the greatest work of the greatest French sculptor of the eighteenth century.

Col. James Mann, chairman of the Virginia commission, delivered the speech of presentation. State Senator Don P. Halsey and F. W. King, of Virginia, also made addresses on behalf of the State of Virginia.

Acceptance by Jusserand.—Ambassador Jusserand, in the absence of the French Minister of Foreign Affairs, M. Pichon, accepted the statue on behalf of the French government. He declared that the friendship of General Washington and of the American people constituted one of the glories of France.

"It is therefore singular appropriate," he said, "that this statue, the third erected on French soil by our ancient allies, should be placed in the palace consigned to all our glories."

M. Jusserand pointed out that here General Washington would be surrounded by his French companions in arms, the Marquis de Lafayette, Count Rochambeau and Admirals d'Estaing, de Grasse and Suffren, in the very building where the treaty of peace between Great Britain and the United States was signed in 1783.

In conclusion he referred to the Franco-American friendship, unbroken during the existence of the American republic, and the work of time which had transformed into friends of both France and America the foes of 1783.

"The grandest name in all the history of America is that of George Washington, and the history of all the nations gives us none that is grander," said Colonel Mann.

Mr. Mann recounted the splendid deeds of "the Father of His Country," both in war and in peace, and paid fitting tribute to the illustrious Frenchmen who aided America in its struggle for liberty.

"We remember always," he said, "that but for the aid of France success could not have crowned the efforts of Washington in our Revolutionary War. It is because Virginians remember these things, and remembering them, love the people of France, that we have come in their name as the bearers of this token of their affection."

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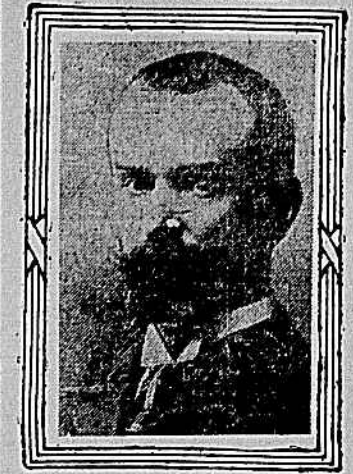
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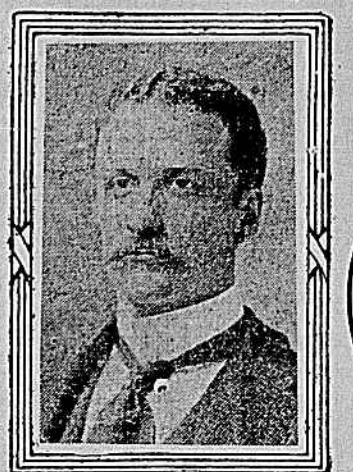
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man, and upon his death, by order of the President of the United States, the same honors were rendered by the nation as had been observed on the death of Washington.

"His love for our State was touchingly shown when he named a daughter Virginia. And I am proud to relate that when offered his choice of commands in the Continental army he selected a division composed entirely of Virginians. It was he, at the head of his division of brave Virginians, who drove Cornwallis into the untenable position at Yorktown and held him there until the coming of Washington and Rochambeau by land and sea."

"Cornwallis had said of him, 'The boy cannot escape me,' but it was due to the splendid strategy of the hero that the entire British army, on the glorious October day in 1781, was forced to march out in humble submission between the lines of French and Americans and laid down its arms."

Frenchman Made Statue.—Mr. Mann related how a Frenchman had been chosen to perpetuate the form of the illustrious Washington in imperishable marble.

"The war drums of the Revolution had hardly ceased to sound before the new-born State of Virginia voted to statue 'Washington,'" he said.

"Desiring to honor the greatest of her sons, she knew when she enshrined in the place of highest honor in her Capitol that splendid figure of a man that she was handing down to generations and now unborn an inspiration that would redound always to the good of the Commonwealth."

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Heroes' Names Within Pedestal.—At the request of the State of Virginia a list of the American officers and soldiers who fought in the Revolution was sealed in the pedestal of the statue, the Marquis de Segur, whose statue was placed in the American Army during the Revolution, performing the ceremony.

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FATAL OIL EXPLOSION.—Servant Dies From Burns and Mrs. Rollins Is Painfully Injured.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lynchburg, Va., August 18.—Mrs. L. C. Rollins, wife of Lewis C. Rollins, of this place, was painfully burned at her home yesterday evening. A colored servant was so seriously burned that she survived only a short time. The accident was caused by the colored girl pouring oil on a smouldering fire, while preparing supper for the family. The can of oil exploded, throwing the burning fluid over the girl, igniting her clothes, all of which were burned off. Mrs. Rollins, who ran to her assistance in an effort to extinguish the flames, was badly burned about the face and hands.

Brine—Davis.—Phillip Edward Pussey Brine, son of P. A. Brine, of Richmond, a great-grandson of the famous Dr. Pussey, of Oxford, England, and Miss Mary Olivia Davis, eldest daughter of the late John and Sarah E. Davis, of Franklin, Virginia county, Pa., were married at Old City, Pa., yesterday, the ceremony being performed by Rev. J. D. B. Vanev, pastor of Christ Protestant Episcopal Church, of that city.

Instantly Killed by Train.—Blue Bell, Pa., August 18.—G. W. Combs, inspector for the H. B. Wiggins Lumber Company, was struck by a passenger train near Lester, W. Va., to-day and instantly killed. The man was hurled a distance of forty feet and his neck broken. Mrs. Combs was riding on the train that killed her husband.

Resigns From Hospital Board.—(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
Lynchburg, Va., August 18.—Robert D. Vancey has tendered his resignation to Governor Mann, and he will retire immediately as a member of the general hospital board of the State.

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SWALLOWS POISON TO END HER LIFE

Raleigh Woman Commits Suicide—Coroner Begins Investigation.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Raleigh, N. C., August 18.—At 1 o'clock this morning Mrs. George W. Steele died in terrible agony from the effects of thirteen tablets of bichloride of mercury, taken soon after midnight with suicidal intent. She was the wife of Engineer Steele, of the Seaboard Air Line, running between Raleigh and Richmond. In a despondent mood, she talked of taking her own life when she went to her room for the night, but she was not taken seriously by her husband or Mr. and Mrs. Harry Cole, who lived with the Steeles. However, she soon dissolved the tablets in a glass of water, drank the contents and threw the glass to the door, the clatter of the broken pieces attracting the attention of the others to her act. Antidotes were administered, they say, she taking them willingly, but the ravages of the poison could not be stayed. Coroner Seapark is investigating the case. No explanation is made as to the cause of the desire to die. It is insisted that there had been no trouble between husband and wife. The remains will be taken to Roanoke, Va., for interment, her people living there. It is a notable fact that it was Mrs. Steele who was treated for several years by Dr. A. W. Goodwin, who diagnosed her disease to be tuberculosis. Other physicians charged later that this diagnosis and treatment were malpractice. The Wake County Medical Society investigated the charges and suspended Dr. Goodwin from membership in the meantime for six months. Now there is a suit for \$50,000 damages by Dr. Goodwin against Dr. Joel Whitaker and Dr. A. W. Knox, by whom the charges of malpractice were pressed before the Medical Society. The death of Mrs. Steele will probably have an important bearing on the damage suit.

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